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In re patent application of:

Patrick W. Breslin, et al.

Serial No. 09/884706

Filed: June 19, 2001

For: DOOR LATCHING
SYSTEM

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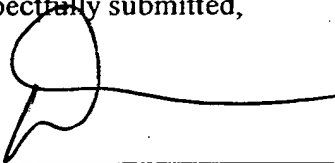
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Applicant respectfully requests correction accordingly to reflect the correct filing date of June 19, 2001 and a new filing receipt issued.

Respectfully submitted,



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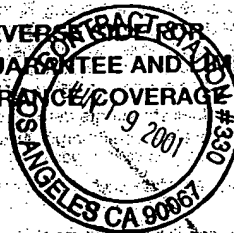
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The applicant has made a claim to a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 09/901,375, filed July 9, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 09/884,706 filed June 19, 2001 and not June 20, 2001 as set forth in the attached filing receipt.

An inconsistency has arisen because the filing date of Serial No. 09/884,706 was incorrectly stated on the filing receipt of Serial No. 09/884,706. On October 17, 2001, Applicant filed a Request for Correction of the filing receipt in connection with Serial No. 09/884,706. A copy of the Request for Correction is enclosed herein. After the correction is made in Serial No. 09/884,706, the filing receipt of the present application should also be corrected.

Serial No. 29/145,906

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Case Docket No. 57111-5061
Date: June 19, 2001

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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For: DOOR LATCHING SYSTEM

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Eight (8) sheets of drawing (☐ formal ☒ informal) + 0 extra copies
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- ☒ An executed assignment of the invention to U-HAUL INTERNATIONAL, INC.
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- ☒ An executed Declaration
- ☒ Recordation Form Cover Letter (Form PTO 1595)
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